GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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PRICING OF KENDRIYA BHANDAR ITEMS
Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the measures the Purchase Committee, Kendriya Bhandar, is taking while selecting suppliers/items of consumer, grocery, stationery and other items to ensure that its prices of items are not more than the open market;

(b) whether the Kendriya Bhandar called applications for the supply of stationery and other items on the basis of their revised purchase policy 2003;

(c) if so, whether action has been taken thereon; and

(d) if not, the action proposed to be taken against the officials for not taking action on the applications so called?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTRY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a): While selecting suppliers, the Purchase Committee normally takes into consideration the status of the concerned agency, its financial soundness, market reputation and standing of the firm, capacity and capability of the firm for timely supply of goods, price responsibility, popularity of the products and its availability in the market etc. Grocery items are purchased on the basis of limited tenders invited on fortnightly basis from the manufacturers/wholesalers empanelled with Kendriya Bhandar on the basis of prescribed criteria. Mandi rates are also ascertained before deciding the tender of pulses & rice. Bi-partite/tri-partite agreement are entered into with the concerned manufacturer/authorized distributor wherever it is considered appropriate and essential.

(b): Yes, Sir.

(c) &(d): A large number of applications have been received and there is already significant progress in finalisation of the proposals.